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A public hearing was held to discuss the requirements of teachers and their competency.
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Sports Lack of offense

Baseball team looks to find answer for lack of runs this season.
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Winter takes another shot



Lacey Buidosik / Assoc. photo editor

Grant Koster, a senior pre-physical therapy major, scrapes snow off the windows of his Cavalier Monday evening. Today's highs are predicted to be in the middle 30s and tonight's lows are expected to be in the 20s.

Snow, freezing temperatures roll through Charleston

Christy Kilgore
City editor

Winter struck again Monday with a sudden snow, winter storm warnings and freezing temperatures.

The snow, mixed at times with sleet and rain, rolled into Charleston around 4:30 p.m. Wednesday. As of press time, the National Weather Service predicted 6 to 8 inches of snow for the night, with snow diminishing this morning to flurries with no further expected accumulation.

A side effect of the sudden winter storm was slick road conditions, but as of 10 p.m. no accidents were reported to the Charleston Police Department.

Charleston's snow plows were on the streets plowing and salting soon after the snow hit Monday evening.

The Illinois Department of Transportation was reporting "patchy" road conditions, meaning snow and ice conditions were mixed between clear and ice or snow covered.

Today's highs are predicted to be in the middle 30s and tonight's lows are expected to be in the 20s.

Wednesday will begin a slight warm-up with highs around 40 degrees and Thursday will bring a chance of rain possibly mixed with snow with highs in the mid 30s.

Friday's road conditions should be adequate for travel with expected dry conditions and lows in the 30s and highs in the 40s.

Saturday there is a chance of snow in Northwest Illinois, but otherwise dry for the rest of the state.

Insanity defense attacked

Two psychiatrists, one psychologist agree Boulay 'knew he was choking her'

By Christy Kilgore, Joe Sanner
and Jessica Sedgwick
Staff editors

Justin "Jay" Boulay was suffering from an adjustment disorder the night he allegedly murdered his ex-girlfriend, but was acting knowingly and still had the ability to conform his behavior to the requirements of the law, two psychiatrists and one psychologist testified Monday.

Boulay, 21, of St. Charles, appeared in court Monday during the fifth day of his murder trial, facing 20 to 60 years for each of the two counts in the death of Miss Will. The trial resumes at 9:15 a.m. today in Courtroom 3 of the Coles County Circuit Court, when closing arguments could be given as early as this afternoon.

The witnesses for the prosecution argued against previous witness testimony that Boulay was unaware of the implications of his alleged actions.

"The diagnosis (adjustment disorder) can impair judgment, but not to the extent of the insanity defense," said Dr. Daniel Cuneo, clinical director of the maximum security Chester Hospital.

Cuneo said although Boulay's disorder at the time of the alleged murder is considered a mental illness because of depressed symptoms, Boulay was conscious and "knew he was choking her at that time."

"He wasn't psychotic. He wasn't mentally retarded," Cuneo said. "He was never so seriously depressed that he couldn't understand that what he was doing was wrong."

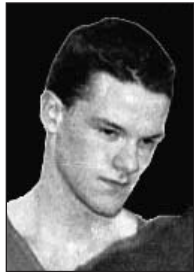
Dr. Terry M. Killian, a forensic psychiatrist said up until the alleged murder, there was no evidence Boulay had no control of his actions the night of Miss Will's death.

"Depression is not a substantial disorder of thought that would impair his ability to know or control his behavior," Killian said.

Dr. Jerry Boyd, a forensic psychologist, said "I do not believe the depression at that time would render him unable to appreciate the wrongfulness of his actions."

The doctors also addressed the issue of a dissociation episode and amnesia, which Boulay claims he is suffering from surrounding the events of Miss Will's death.

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Justin Boulay

Eastern graduate hired as assistant payroll, benefits director

By Christopher Weedman
Staff writer

An Eastern graduate will return to the university March 22 as the new assistant director of payroll and benefits.

Todd Bacon, a 1991 graduate of Eastern, was selected for the position on March 3 from a list of three candidates.

"We had three very good candidates to

choose from," said Charles Phillips, director of human resources.

Phillips said Bacon was chosen over the other candidates because of his previous payroll experience, extensive knowledge of federal tax rules and regulations and strong computer background.

Phillips said Bacon's computer knowledge will play an important role in the upcoming overhaul in Eastern's payroll department.

The position of assistant director of payroll and benefits is a newly formed position that replaces the position of payroll supervisor, which was occupied by Sandra Ramsay.

As assistant director of payroll and benefits, Bacon will handle the department's employee and student payroll and coordinate employee benefits.

A resident of Charleston, Bacon is currently employed as an accounting and tax specialist for both the Charleston and Bloomington branches of

Agro Corp., an agriculturally-based accounting service.

Bacon received his bachelor of science in Accounting/Finance from Eastern in 1991 and has been a certified public accountant since 1993.

Bacon will receive a yearly salary of \$40,000.

The other two candidates that interviewed for the position were Cynthia Highland and Robert Moore.

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McVeigh’s appeal denied

Supreme Court refuses to hear arguments against death penalty

WASHINGTON (AP) – Timothy McVeigh, sentenced to die for the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing that killed 168 people and injured hundreds more, lost a Supreme Court appeal Monday.

The court refused to hear McVeigh’s arguments that his trial was tainted by jury misconduct and news reports that he confessed to the bombing, the worst such attack on U.S. soil.

His lawyer, Richard Burr, expressed disappointment, saying, “We had hoped the Supreme Court would be able to rise above the terrible human consequences” of the case in evaluating McVeigh’s appeal.

“It is so easy to say ‘no’ to Timothy McVeigh,” Burr added. McVeigh was convicted of first-degree murder, conspiracy and weapons-related charges in the April 19, 1995, bombing of the Alfred P.

Murrah Federal Building. The bombing could be heard miles away, and television screens soon were filled with stunning images of the shattered building and rescue workers looking for survivors.

A federal appeals court last fall upheld his convictions and death sentence in the deaths of eight federal law enforcement officers. Oklahoma prosecutors have said they plan to charge McVeigh with first-degree murder in state court for the deaths of the other 160 bombing victims.

McVeigh still can pursue a new round of appeals challenging the constitutionality of his federal prosecution. Under a 1996 federal law, inmates have up to a year to file such an appeal.

His Supreme Court appeal said the 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruling that upheld his conviction sent a message that “the rules

of law may be applied on a sliding scale when the crime is unspeakable and public outrage is great.”

The appeal said pretrial news reports of a purported confession by McVeigh to his lawyers created a serious threat to his fair-trial rights. Four jurors indicated in pretrial questioning that they had seen the reports. “No such procedure should send Mr. McVeigh to his death,” his appeal said.

Justice Department lawyers said the bombing “caused extraordinary harm” and that courts took “extraordinary steps” to ensure McVeigh a fair trial, including disqualifying the original judge and moving the trial to Denver.

Prospective jurors were examined thoroughly for signs of bias, and news reports never established that McVeigh actually confessed, prosecutors said.

Insanity

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They agree if Boulay is suffering from amnesia, it does not mean he was not in control of his actions at the time.

“I believe he probably has dissociative amnesia,” Killian said. “Amnesia cannot be a defense for the behavior because it happens after the behavior.

“He may have been in a state where he was so focused on his anger that he may not have been aware of anything else at that time,” Killian said. “Whether or not he was in a trance-like state, that would not absolve him of responsibility.”

Boyd cited examples of Boulay’s behavior after the murder to argue he was aware of his actions.

Boyd said one specific example is a line in the letter Boulay wrote after the alleged murder that states “Something just came over me – I couldn’t let go of her neck– I wanted to – but by the time I came out of it I was too late in letting go.”

“(The sentence) is certainly an indication of some memory of actions taken during the death struggle,” Boyd said. “Boulay, in my opinion, did not meet the standards of legal insanity.”

Boyd also said the selection of a weapon (a phone cord), the washing of Miss Will’s body and disposal of certain clothing items were purposeful, conscious and selective decisions.

Cuneo said Boulay told him during their evaluation that he blacked out for 20 to 30 minutes and woke up on top of Will.

Cuneo testified Boulay said “(Will) lost control of her bodily fluids – that’s what woke me up. I didn’t

want to leave the person I loved more than anyone else lying in their own feces.” Cuneo said Boulay washed her off.

Cuneo then testified that a blackout for that amount of time was impossible.

“If he blacked out for 20 to 30 minutes, the fecal matter would have soaked through to him because he was lying on top of her.”

No defecation was found on Boulay’s clothes.

Cuneo said the reason Boulay has no present memory of the event is that he is currently suffering post-traumatic stress disorder because of the “horrific” event.

Cuneo said Boulay was conscious when the strangulation act occurred, when he wrote the letter and when he told his mother, father and Patricia Hubbard about the event. Cuneo said Boulay developed the post-traumatic stress disorder days later on Feb. 5, and then lost memory of the event.

Cuneo said Boulay, during the November examination, expressed suicidal thoughts, saying he wished he had died and not her.

The symptoms Boulay shows of having an “adjustment disorder with mixed anxiety and depressed moods” include his periods of depression from the on-and-off relationship with Miss Will, dreams where he sees heaven and increased arousal in which he has trouble falling asleep, Cuneo said.

Cuneo said Boulay, during the break-ups with Will, would “internalize anything negative. He doesn’t express his emotions straight out. He deals with it on a cognitive level so then he doesn’t have to express his emotions ... That way he can step away from things and not be involved.”

“We have a situation where a

defendant felt very much a need to be in control of himself,” Boyd said. “He was raised by parents to be a good person. He was raised by parents to be an honest person. He couldn’t accept his own faults and problems.”

Boyd said Boulay’s amnesia could be a result of Boulay’s inability to handle an action so outside of his “superficial” self-perceived personality.

Boyd also disagreed with mental health professionals who testified for the defense saying “I think it’s a stretch to say just because a person doesn’t remember, doesn’t mean they had no control.”

Cuneo said Boulay told him during the examination that after he picked up Andrea and drove her to his apartment, the two ordered pizza, he gave her a massage because she told him her shoulders were sore and they had intercourse twice.

Cuneo testified that Boulay said “I feel now I’m being used ... She sleeps with me and she goes. She’s satisfied.”

Five other witnesses were called by the prosecution, including Michelle Voight of Arlington Heights, a friend and roommate of Miss Will; Erin James of Batavia, Will and Boulay’s former co-worker at a pool in Batavia; Morgan Van Leirsburg, of Aurora, both Will and Boulay’s former supervisor at the pool in Batavia; Jeri Thrasher, a roommate and sorority sister of Miss Will, and Laura Glombowski, a friend and classmate of Miss Will.

All five witnesses were asked yes-or-no questions as to whether Boulay has a reputation as being even-tempered and trustworthy.

All five testified that from their own experience and speaking with others about his behavior Boulay is not even-tempered or trustworthy.

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Zero tolerance

■ Robert Brazitis, 18, of 8101 79th St., Justice, Ill., was cited at 3:40 a.m. on Sunday in the 800 block of Lincoln Avenue on charges of zero tolerance, minor consumption of alcohol, operation of an uninsured motor vehicle and improper lane usage, according to a police report.

Disturbing peace

■ Sean M. King, 22, and Scott D. Tucker, 22, both of 1801 Ninth St., were cited at 2:15 a.m. on Saturday at their residence on charges of disturbing the peace, according to a police report. King was also cited for obstructing a police offices, the report said.

■ Timothy Aric Hodge, 21, of 1418 Sixth St., was cited at 12:45 a.m. on Saturday at his residence on charges of disturbing the peace, according to a police report.

■ Anthony K. Wiltgen, 25, of 903 Taylor Ave., was cited at 11:49 p.m. on Friday at his residence on charges of disturbing the peace, according to a police report.

Disorderly conduct

■ Jay W. Carter, 21, of 1627 Seventh St., was cited at 1:53 a.m. at his residence on charges of disorderly conduct, according to a police report.

Fake I.D.

■ John P. Folliard, 20, of 459 Carman Hall, was cited at 2:13 a.m. on Sunday in the 700 block of Sixth Street on charges of a false I.D., minor frequenting a licensed establishment, possession and/or acceptance of alcohol by a minor and obstructing a police officer, a police report said.

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Educators take part in research survey



Ali Brooks/ Staff photographer
Lonnie Johns, a resident of Jacksonville Illinois, voices his opinions about the “DRAFT Standards for Teachers” Monday evening in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Professors participate in statewide public hearing held at Eastern regarding Content-Area Standards

By Meghan McMahon
Administration editor

The Illinois State Board of Education Monday held a public hearing to allow educators to have an opportunity to give testimony regarding the Illinois Content-Area Standards.

Jean Lewis, principal consultant of the professional development redesign division of the Illinois State Board of Education, began the hearing by giving a brief presentation including a video outlining the goal of the Content Area-Standards.

“We hope that we can take your comments back (to the board) and we hope that we can learn,” Lewis said.

She said the testimony that is collected from the hearing will be taken back to a research survey office and compiled in a report.

The video, sponsored by the Illinois State Board of Education, provided answers to some of the questions people may have about the Content-Area Standards.

“These standards reflect what educators should know and be able to do,” according to the video.

Max McGee, state superintendent of schools, said in the video that teachers are the most important aspect of a child’s education.

“Educators play a critical role in the life of students,” McGee said in the video. “Educators will be expected to demonstrate competency instead of meeting minimum requirements.”

After Lewis’ presentation and the video, audience members were allowed to provide written or oral testimony regarding the standards and changes they may have felt were appropriate.

Research money topic of graduate forum

By Laura Irvine
Campus editor

Eastern’s director of grants and research Wednesday will discuss securing funding for research at the third presentation of the Graduate Forum series.

Edwin L. “Bud” May will present “The Council on Faculty Research and Internal Funding for Research and Creative Activity” from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Charleston/Mattoon Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

“The forum would be of interest to faculty who are interested in securing research monies to fund research projects,” said Bob Augustine, acting dean of the Graduate School.

Augustine said the Graduate Forum series has been in place for four years.

The Graduate Forum is held “to provide opportunities for graduate students and graduate faculty to share research and hear presentations from state and national experts,” a press release said.

Augustine said May was chosen as a speaker because as the director of grants and research, he is the person who talks with faculty about receiving grant money.

“He will provide guidance and insight on how to get grant money,” Augustine said.

Augustine said May will talk about two different types of grants during his presentation; Council on Faculty Research grants and Summer grants.

“These grants support and encourage graduate students,” Augustine said. “They are exciting grants to get.”

There is no cost to attend the presentation, which is sponsored by the Graduate School and Grants and Research.

There are a total of nine presentations that are part of the Graduate Forum series. The series began in February and will end in April.

Jorns officially recognized by Circle K

By Meghan McMahon
Administration editor

The student organization Circle K today will induct former Eastern President David Jorns as a honorary member of the group.

The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. in the Martinsville Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Virginia Baldwin, Kiwanis adviser of Circle K, said the group decided to recognize Jorns because of his support of the organization and work on campus.

“ (We chose to honor him) because of his past support of Eastern’s Circle K and because of his service on campus,” Baldwin said.

She said Jorns will be at the meeting.

As an honorary member of Circle K, Jorns will be officially recognized by the group and will receive a pin and t-shirt as well as be informed of information about future meeting and service projects, Baldwin said.

“(Being inducted as an honorary member) means that we’ve recognized him,” Baldwin said. “He will be given a pin, he will be given a t-shirt and info on Circle K.”

Circle K is a student service organization that promotes leadership and social opportunities for its members, she said.

The discussion titled “Dreaming” begins at 7 p.m. today in the Charleston/Mattoon room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Gruber studies what function dreams serve, why we dream and what dreams do for us, he said. He has been studying dreams for 15 years.

He said the presentation is “sort of an appreciation of sleeping; we overlook that...we don’t get enough.”

“Dreaming is important, sleeping is important,” Gruber said. “We are out of balance, if we devalue it.”

Session to focus on dreams

By Dan Ochwat
Activities editor

“Every night we have a period of REM (Rapid Eye Movement) sleep and vivid story like dreams that occur during REM sleep,” said Russell Gruber, professor of psychology.

Gruber is speaking at Eastern about what happens during REM sleep and how dreams and sleep are important for your mental functions like the balancing of emotions, processing information, rehearsal of behavior and exploring our inner world, he said.

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Senate was fair, efficient

For the past two weeks, Student Senate members have contemplated removing one of their own from office: Student Vice President for Financial Affairs Mike Hansen.

But regardless of what people think of the senate's decision to retain Hansen, senior members of the Legislative Leaders Committee and Student Senate should be commended for a quick, fair and efficient process.

The process began when Hansen pleaded guilty to battery of a peace officer and unlawful consumption of alcohol by a minor. The two misdemeanor charges, which were lessened in a plea agreement, left him with a \$1,000 fine, 100 hours of community service, one-year probationary supervision and he cannot be in possession of or consume alcohol.

Two days following his guilty plea, five members of the Legislative Leaders Committee, which is responsible for approving all legislation that appears on the senate's agenda, asked Hansen to step down. The request came in the form of a letter, which stated Hansen

damaged the integrity of Eastern's Student Government.

Hansen announced he would not resign as student vice president for financial affairs, and placed fliers reading: "Why hold students to a higher standard than the president of the Untied States" across campus in attempt to gain support from students.

As a result of the sign posting, a petition was filed to remove Hansen from office and a trial notice was issued to Hansen via registered mail – 48 hours in advanced of the trial – as stipulated in Student Senate's bylaws. The two counts of removal stated: "Your recent guilty plea to battery and minor consumption does not fit the high standard of conduct that Student Government officials are held to" and "Total disregard that you have shown for the impact that your actions have on Student Government."

On Wednesday, senate members voted to leave the trial open to the public, arguing as a board representing the students, the student body should be able to listen and participate in the proceedings. The five-hour trial was handled well – each side was allowed to voice opinions, along with other senate members and audience members.

Arguments not pertaining to the two counts of removal Hansen faced – including personal jabs at other members or to the guilt or innocence of Hansen – were not allowed and were strictly enforced.

Overall, Student Government handled a difficult situation in a professional and respectable manner. While many can argue for or against the senate's decision to keep Hansen in office, one cannot dispute that the entire process was handled in a fair and efficient manner.

■ The editorial is the opinion of the editorial board of *The Daily Eastern News*.

Today's quote

Lie down till the leaders have spoken – it may be fair words shall prevail.

Rudyard Kipling,
English writer 1865-1936

Justice sought for Naperville murderer

Six-year old Emily and 3-year-old Thomas Lemak arrived at their three-story Victorian mansion Thursday most likely hungry for an afternoon snack, as most children are at that age.

Instead they were given a mixture of aspirin, antidepressants and sedatives and after falling asleep in their beds, suffocated, allegedly by the hands of their own mother.

Their 7-year-old brother, who arrived hours later, was also sedated and then suffocated in his sleep.

It happened just five days ago, in the rapidly-growing city of Naperville, about 30 miles west of Chicago. An unthinkable crime; one that makes you want to ask why, only knowing no answer could justify the actions.

Their mother, Marilyn Lemak, whose apparent attempted suicide failed, is in jail charged with the horrific murder of her three children, waiting to see whether she could face the death penalty.

Police were notified of the triple homicide after the 41-year-old nurse and mother of three dialed 911, minutes before slashing her arm. Lemak was released from the hospital Sunday after undergoing surgery to repair an artery in her arm and then taken to DuPage County Jail to await her hearing on Monday.

Police still do not know what prompted the killings. Investigators have said because the children were sedated, the killer did not want them to suffer pain. But it's hard for me to comprehend that a person who drugs a child as young as 3, stands over him asleep in bed, pinches his nose and then places their hands over the child's mouth until they stop breathing, did not intent to inflict pain.

Neighbors of the Lemak family contend Marilyn has always been friendly, with one neighbor being quoted as saying: "She was a very nice, very outgoing, very friendly person who loved her kids." In fact, the Lemaks were known as the "typical American family" by all who knew them – despite the fact Marilyn and her husband are separated and in the process of a divorce.

On Monday, a psychological evaluation was ordered and prosecutors still did not know whether they would seek the death penalty, saying it may be awhile before a decision is



Deana Poole
Editor in chief

"No crueler punishment could have been imposed upon anyone, than the 'punishment' of death that was given to the Lemak children."

and unusual punishment, a fundamental right protected by the Eighth Amendment. But no crueler punishment could have been imposed upon anyone, than the "punishment" of death that was given to the Lemak children.

And to the person who commits a crime of such nature, one that could be considered cruel and unusual as the drugging and smothering of three children is, should not be protected under the Eighth Amendment.

Our society continually ignores the "Do onto others as you wish others to do onto you" motto that is taught in grade school. Obviously Marilyn Lemak attempted to end her life as she allegedly did her children, but she failed. And now the city of Naperville is attempting to come to terms with what happened to such a typical American family, whose mansion lawn is now filled with three crosses, each representing a child. Among the masses of flowers, cards and gifts, stand people whose heads can't stop shaking in disbelief.

Without a doubt, the death penalty should be sought and instituted in this case. While investigators claim the killer did not intend to cause pain – this person did.

Three-year-old Thomas, 6-year-old Emily and 7-year-old Nicholas will never be able to experience life; never feel butterflies in their stomachs on their first date, never get yelled at for driving too fast in a driver's education vehicle or never stay up late cramming for a test. Depriving these children of the chance to live their lives is beyond pain – it's a crime Marilyn Lemak, or whoever did, should pay for with his/her life.

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Student vice president apologizes to campus

I would like to take this opportunity to address the student body as a chance to apologize. Looking back, I am sorry that these events had to take place. I appreciate those students who supported me and respect the opinion of those who didn't. As an elected official, we are in the spotlight and need to realize that all our actions are held under a magnifying glass. I realize that I have made a mistake and I can not reverse that fact. However, I have learned from my mistakes and plan to move on taking this situation as a learning experience. There are duties as vice president for financial affairs that I must keep attending to and I will not let these mistakes distract me from performing them. It has

Your turn

Letters to the editor

come to that time of the year when the five fee-funded boards have their budgets made. Apportionment Board and Student Government have a duty to put the money in the five fee-funded boards' budgets where it will best benefit the students, and we need to work together to achieve this goal. I am confident that we can put this matter behind us and look toward the future. Once again, I would like to apologize to the student body that any of these matters had to take place. I also would like to stress that I will still work hard to represent the student voice in making the budgets and look forward to working with

Student Government on them.

Mike Hansen
student vice president for financial affairs

Letter policy

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They should be less than 250 words and include the author's name, telephone number and address. Students should indicate their year in school and major. Faculty, administration and staff should indicate their position and department. Letters whose authors cannot be verified will not be printed.

Depending on space constraints, we may have to edit your letter, so keep it as concise as possible.

Your turn

Letters to the editor

Union has many advantages, works for faculty members

In your March 1 edition, Max Gerling said that he “does not see any advantages the union provides its members.”

The UPI Union spent hundreds of hours lobbying the state legislature to ensure that faculty members who sent their children to state universities got a significant break in their tuition and fees. Does Max Gerling take advantage of this union success in the field of lobbying ? You bet. Will he ever give credit to the union for this outstanding success in the field of lobbying? You bet. Will he ever give credit to the union for this outstanding new perk? Never!

Max Gerling has a one note message, like a busted phonograph, or a poorly trained parrot: union bad. He calls that a voice.

Excuse me if I am underwhelmed. He'll take every advantage the union has earned in the past 20 years, never say a positive thing about the good things that have been gained, and only point out the flaws.

Joe Heumann
speech communications professor

Hansen encouraged to step down from position

As I made my way to class, I could not help but notice the yellow sheets all around begging for my support of Student Vice President Mike Hansen. I have followed, with some interest, the dilemma Mr. Hansen's obvious poor judgment and immature decisions have gotten him into. I had hoped Mr. Hansen would act respectable, admit his wrongs and step down from the position he no longer deserves to hold.

I find it very sad Mr. Hansen has allowed his own ego to come before the student body he claims to serve. Mr. Hansen's most recent statements make two points on his behalf.

1. He has continued to do his job regardless of his present personal situation.
2. He never shoved the officer, and only pleaded guilty based on advice from his lawyer.

The first claim was made false the moment Mr. Hansen gave the Charleston Police Department any excuse to place him under arrest. Mr. Hansen's assumption that his only responsibilities to Eastern's student body involve finance is not only incorrect, but insulting to the people who chose him to represent them. Upon accepting the vice president position, Mr. Hansen agreed to stand for this institution and its students as a leader. To allow him to remain in his position would show Eastern as an institution with extremely low standard of personal behavior for, not only student leaders, but all of its students.

As for the second point, that Mr. Hansen may or may not have actually hit the officer really goes beyond the point. The picture is painted clearly enough by the visual image of Mr. Hansen, our student vice president for financial affairs, bolting from officers while in a drunken stupor. This is by no means behavior that should be considered acceptable for anyone, but especially not for someone who has accepted a position wherein his actions directly reflect upon the Student Government and, in turn, the entire student body.

The student body elected Mike Hansen to do a job, and with that election came high expectation of leadership and personal behavior. The student body pays Mr. Hansen to not only serve as the student vice president for financial affairs, but to represent Eastern and each student enrolled here. Mr. Hansen has failed to maintain the stand he agreed to, and by doing so, has shown great disrespect to all of us. Be the leader you claim to be. Set an example for the students of this university. Accept the lesson in humility. Step down.

Erin Gregorich
senior foreign language major

Decertify UPI, recertify progress

When 142 faculty have strong enough feelings to sign a petition to decertify a union, something must be very wrong with the union!

Why decertify the UPI labor union?

The reasons are many and compelling. UPI Local President Sue Kaufman is absolutely right when she says there are only two choices – UPI stays or UPI goes. And Sue has made it clear there is no room for compromise. On WEIU-TV last week, Sue Kaufman found it “amazing” anyone would want to decertify a union in these times. But Sue, this is the national trend! Here is something even more amazing: the percent of the United States work force unionized in 1995 was down to 14.9 percent of employed workers compared to 23 percent in 1980. There may have been some justification that UPI was established at Eastern even though the vote on Eastern's campus in 1976 was AGAINST the establishment of a union. We were taken along as part of the five-university Board of Governor's vote for a union. We finally have the chance to vote OUR minds whether to keep this union or to oust it. I am not opposed to unions per se. There are places where unions are necessary. I even organized one myself in North Dakota when I taught there. So I know the difference between good performance and bad performance of a union. When a union becomes what it was formed to fight against, then it is time to remove it! Why should we remove UPI?

Mediocre performance is one reason. Each year UPI claims to have obtained raises for Eastern faculty bigger than ALL state-supported universities in Illinois except the University of Illinois. Why then, are we still the lowest paid in the state? Something is drastically wrong! Illinois State University and the University of Illinois do not have unions and they do fine. Let's join them! Vote NO UPI!

Loss in benefits with “unknown concessions” is another reason to vote NO UPI. The 1997 negotiated loss of summer pay for faculty has hurt faculty and students alike. Preliminary data shows an actual decrease in the courses taught instead of the intended increase. One-hundred-seventy-six faculty signatures on a petition saying “Leave summer school alone!” were ignored and only 104 union votes for it actually adopted the measure. Does this demonstrate a caring union? Action speaks much louder than the current union rhetoric. We have tried to reason with the union, but they do not want to listen to everyone and they are unwilling to change on this point.

Unfair treatment is another reason to vote NO UPI. In 1997, UPI began charging non-members a “fair share fee” of 100 percent of union dues, resulting in many non-members paying more dollars in dues than regular members because dues are a percent of salary instead of the flat amount required by law.

The effort to decertify UPI as the bargaining agent for Unit A faculty provides an opportunity for the union leadership to reassess its direction. Legally, the union is responsible for negotiating salary benefits and working conditions that are beneficial for the faculty, students and the administration.

The contract that the union negotiated between Eastern faculty and administrators provides a wide range of legal guarantees:

- tenure, promotions and Professional Advancement Increases
- representation in grievance cases
- sabbaticals
- workload.

These rights and benefits have been hard-won over a period of many years and must not be taken for granted.

Without a negotiated contract, we lose all guarantees to tenure, sabbaticals, PAIs and a host of other rights and benefits. And we cannot assume that one-on-one negotiations would be in the best interest of the faculty, students and the administration.

Faculty rights have been seriously threatened elsewhere: Bennington College (Vermont) eliminated tenure.

- The University of Texas at Austin eliminated sabbaticals
- Other universities have phased out tenure by hiring

tenurable faculty on multi-year contracts.

Eastern is not immune to such pressures. But the contract has allowed us to keep tenure: as of the current academic year, 82 percent of our bargaining unit is tenure-line. And we have maintained sabbaticals, PAIs and other benefits threatened at many other universities.

At the state level, UPI has been instrumental in helping pass legislation to force the state to adequately fund our State Universities Retirement System. Not long ago, UPI successfully pushed legislation to raise the pension formula to 2.2 percent per year. On the other hand, legislation is pending that would eliminate tuition waivers for faculty children.

UPI is currently fighting to restore full health care coverage for all retirees, reclaiming rights taken away in previous legisla-



Max Gerling
Mathematics professor

“Our faculty and our students deserve the best. We cannot achieve it with this union. Vote NO UPI!”

the fall, but she was completely unwilling to make a change in union policy. Let's drop this unfair union. It's that simple. Vote NO UPI!

This week the university administration and the union leadership will decide on the final terms and conditions of the vote (the UPI-advised hearing at the IELRB will take place ONLY in the case that these two parties would fail to agree). Let's be as good as Illinois State and U of I and have NO UNION. We can if we try. We already have the excellent faculty and students. Vote NO UPI.

I love Eastern and want to help make it a better place for our faculty and our students. All four of my children have attended or are currently attending Eastern. This is due is some part because I am very proud of this public ivy! Our faculty and our students deserve the best. We cannot achieve it with this union. Vote NO UPI!

Why has the union resorted to scare tactics (no union means no contract, no rights, no tenure...)? These are gross misrepresentations. Everything works very well at U of I and Illinois State without unions! It can work well here too. We have an internal governing policy (www.eiu.edu/~presiden/IGP/) which can contain most of these contractual safeguards. I don't anticipate the administration changing these to the detriment of the faculty and students, especially in this time of a new president and vice president for academic affairs. This is well-founded faith, not wishful thinking. We have no guarantees, but not much in this life is guaranteed. Let's take a chance to help this university live up to its potential! I think the administration could well use the extra time to solve some of our funding problems and give us the benefits. I really believe that is what they want to do. Let's give them the chance! It is up to us now when we vote our conscience. Don't let UPI scare you. Vote with your heart and with your head. Vote NO UPI!

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Strength through solidarity



David Radavich
Position

“The challenges facing us are many and must be met head-on with a strong, unified front.”

tion. This will happen - either through legislation or a lawsuit – but we must maintain an assertive presence to advocate for our interests.

UPI has maintained constant pressure on the Illinois Board of Higher Education to increase budget recommendations for faculty salaries. Last year, \$784,000 in additional salary dollars was brought to Eastern. This year, the IBHE has recommended a \$1.033

million increase beyond the 3 percent cost of living, and for the first time has proposed a five-year plan to bring Illinois faculty salaries closer to national norms.

At Eastern, the UPI Chapter is currently in the midst of a multi-year plan to address the decades-old underfunding of salaries. The union will continue the fight to bring our salaries up to levels commensurate with peer institutions in the next contract.

The challenges facing us are many and must be met head-on with a strong, unified front. But UPI, like any group, is not a monolith. It is a relationship in constant dialogue, both with the administration and with ourselves. The contract is a living, growing document that we craft together.

UPI is not a “them;” it is a “we.” The union enlists the best talents of its faculty and academic support professionals, and it changes as its participants and their needs and concerns change. Our negotiating team includes Unit A members from all four colleges. Working together, we can negotiate more effectively with the administration.

It's a tough world out there, and we can't face these challenges alone or we will be eaten alive by competing interests who have their own agendas and constituencies. The trend across the country is to unionize at the university level in order to maintain faculty rights and benefits. UPI is well established at Eastern, we have a history to build on, and we need to move forward together to fight the battles ahead.

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Publisher to discuss women's historical role in comic books

By Dan Ochwat
Activities editor

Trina Robbins, publisher of comic books, Wednesday will discuss the role of women in comic books; from writers to characters within the books.

Robbins will make her first appearance at Eastern at 7 p.m. in room 017 of Lumpkin Hall.

The discussion will focus on the historical role of women in comics, both as writers and characters, said Annette Samuels, professor of journalism and co-

chair of the program committee for The Women's Advocacy Council.

Robbins has been involved in comics since 1970, Samuels said. She edited the first all-women comic book entitled, "It Ain't Me, Babe." She has written books about female artists in the comic book business, one entitled "A Century of Women Cartoonists."

Robbins also was the co-editor for "Strip AIDS U.S.A.," an AIDS benefit book, and she has written children's books, most recently the bilingual book "Califia, Queen

of California."

Robbins received the National Organization for Women's Outstanding Feminist Activist Award in 1990, the New Media in Vision Award in 1993, and the Parents Choice Award in 1994.

Robbins' goal is to increase the understanding of the importance of creating comics for girls and women, and to do something for girls in a field which is 98 percent projected toward adolescent boys, a press release said.

The presentation is free and open to the public.



Lacey Buidosik / Assoc. photo editor

Meet the president

Eastern President Carol Surles entertains third graders Katherine Bennett, 9, of Charleston, and Tara Overstreet, 9, of Bunston, from Carl Sandburg school in Charleston, in her office in Old Main Monday morning. The students got a chance to ask Surles questions about how she likes Charleston and if she always wanted to become president of a University. Then Surles got to test the students in their knowledge of heroes Martin Luther King Jr. and Jane Addams, who they had just learned about. Surles told them "You can do anything you want to do," and she looks forward to seeing them as future Eastern students.

Faculty award focus of Faculty Senate

Senate members look to increase award to \$1,000

By Meghan McMahon
Administration editor

The Faculty Senate today will discuss raising the Distinguished Faculty Award prize by \$500.

The meeting will be at 2 p.m. in the BOG Room of Booth Library.

Faculty Senate Chair James Tidwell said the senate would like to increase the amount of the award to \$1,000 instead of \$500.

Currently, the senate has a contract with the EIU Foundation that states the senate can award

\$500 to two recipients of the award, Tidwell said. The senate would like to change the format so one recipient receives \$1,000 for the award.

The foundation meets next week and they would have to approve any changes in the way the money is given out, he said.

Tidwell said he has been looking into purchasing a plaque for award winners so they will be memorialized.

Senate members also will select a Distinguished Faculty Award committee.

In other business, senate members will discuss last minute arrangements for the spring forum on quality in academics, Tidwell said.

The forum will be 2 p.m. April 13 in the Buzzard Auditorium.

Student Senate searches for election volunteers

By Chris Sievers
Student government editor

Student Senate members are looking for students who are interested in being on the election commission for Student Government.

Applications are available in the Student Activity Center on the second floor of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. Applications are due March 26.

Student Body President Steve Zielinski said the commission is responsible for making sure the elections of senate members are conducted properly.

"(The election commission)

makes sure candidates are acting fairly and (campaign) posters are not posted in illegal places, he said.

Zielinski said the students who are on the election commission are responsible for running the entire elections.

Zielinski said he is looking for energetic students who are looking to get more involved on campus.

"This is a great way for people to learn more about Student Government and the election process, he said.

The Student Government elections will be held the third Tuesday and Wednesday of April.



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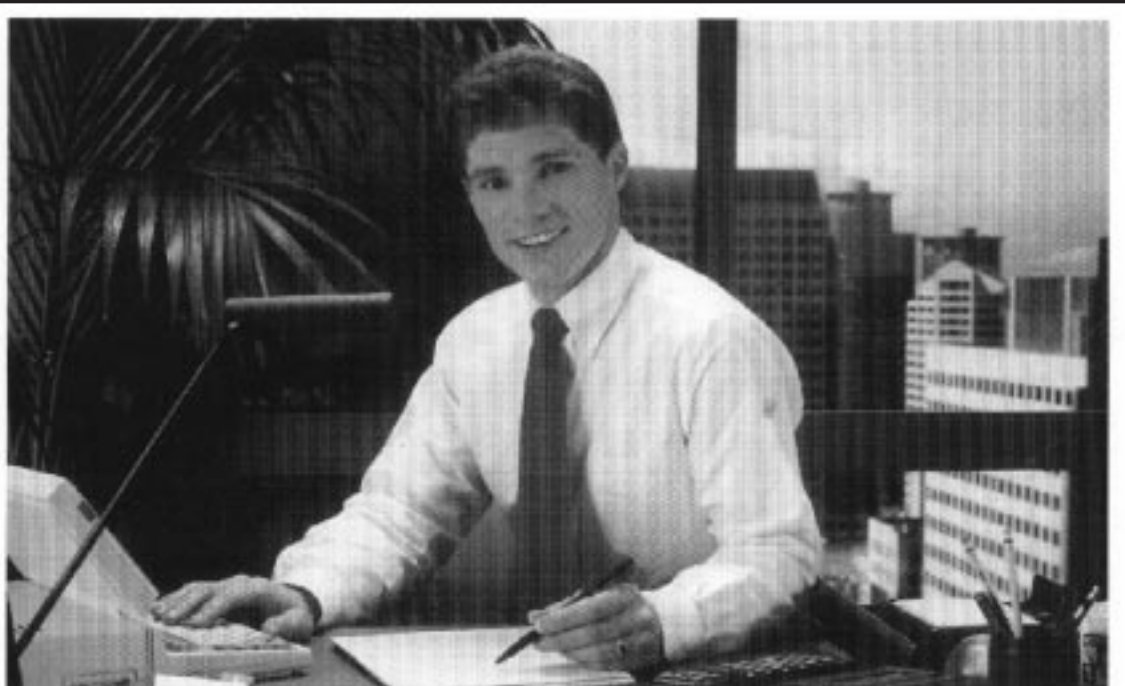
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Speaker to discuss negative views of feminist author

Dan Ochwat
Activities editor

A speaker today will discuss why Harriet Taylor Mill, a feminist author, is remembered in such a negative way and will share some of her unpublished ideas. Jo Ellen Jacobs, author of "The Complete Works of Harriet Taylor Mill," will speak at 7 p.m. in the Buzzard Hall Auditorium as part of Women's History and Awareness Month.

Jacobs said she wants the audience to understand, "why (Mill) has been forgotten and why when she's remembered, she's remembered so hideously." Much of Mill's ideas are based on domestic violence, marriage and religion. Critics and historians say nasty things about her, Jacobs said. The reason for the backlash could be "she was a very angry woman." Jacobs said Mill had negative views about the institution of marriage because she thought that affection could not be legislated.

“ I hope (the audience) will learn the importance of Harriet Taylor Mill's work, and learn to look at her with her own ideas; everyone looks at her as John Stuart Mill's wife.

Jonelle DePetro,
associate professor of philosophy

” Mill was a "raving atheist," Jacobs said. Mill was the first to speak in public about domestic violence as an inevitable part of marriage, Jacobs said. She was writing about women's issues in the 1840s, which was about 25 years earlier than the recognized feminist writings. Jacobs will speak about the achievements of Mill and Jacobs' book. The book includes all of Mill's works and it is the first

time all her ideas have been made public. Prior to the book, less than one-third of Mill's work had been published. Jonelle DePetro, associate professor of philosophy, said Mill spoke out on many issues regarding education, religion, art and historical figures in correlation to her own thoughts on religion and marriage. "I hope (the audience) will learn the importance of Harriet Taylor Mill's work, and learn to look at her with her own ideas; everyone looks at her as John Stuart Mill's wife," DePetro said. Jacobs is a Griswold Distinguished Professor of Philosophy at Millikin University, in Decatur, and her book includes essays, poems, book reviews and letters. She said she did not set out to write the book but stumbled into the project while in London studying Victorian novels. Jacobs' book will be on sale at the presentation and the session is free and open to the public.

Intern to talk about benefits of a political science degree

Nicole Meinheit
Staff editor

A former Washington intern Wednesday will tell students what they can achieve with a degree in political science. William Tapella, a former Eastern and Southern Illinois University political science student, will discuss his political experiences including running Sen. Paul Simon's election campaign and interning in Washington at 7 p.m. in Room 221 of Coleman Hall.

"A lot of people think with political science degree you have to go on to law school and (Tapella) has a lot of experience without going to law school," said Stephanie Corley, junior political science major and organizer for the event. Tapella also will talk about how students can apply and receive internships in Washington and locally. The internship opportunities are not just limited to political science majors because many areas of expertise are need to run a cam-

paign or political office, Corley said. While Tapella was in Washington, he worked with the 1980 Carter/Mondale reelection and from 1981 to 1982 he was campaign manager of Simon's congressional campaign in Illinois. Tapella returned to school and completed his law degree from the University of Illinois College of Law in 1993. He is currently a Charleston attorney with the Shink and Tapella law firm.

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GUEST SPEAKER-MISS ILLINOIS CONTESTANT. Tues., Mar. 9 at 6:30p.m. in the Thomas Hall Lobby. Will speak about the signs of depression and suicide in college students/young adults. Bring a friend, save a life.
CIRCLE K. Meeting on Tues., Mar. 9 at 7:00p.m. in the Martinsville Room, Union. Come to our honorary member induction ceremony. Also come and hear about convention and the awards we won.
LSF-IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CENTER. Bible Study on Tues., Mar. 9 at 6:00p.m. at the Immanuel Student Center. Come for a fun and in-depth bible study on Romans! Questions? E-mail Cheryl at cuclw3@hotmail.com.
SIGMA IOTA LAMBDA. John Marshall Law School Speaker on 3/9/99 at 5:30p.m. in CH 219. Everyone Welcome!
PEOPLE ORGANIZED FOR WOMEN'S EQUALITY AND RIGHTS. Weekly Meeting on Mar. 9 at 6p.m. in the Mezzanine Room above check cashing in Union.
IFC. Meeting on Mar. 9 at 6:00p.m. in the Arcola/Tuscola Room in the University Union. 5:00p.m. meeting for the executive board.
MINORITY TEACHER EDUCATION ASSOCIATION. General Meeting on 3/9/99 at 6p.m. in the Panther Lair (Union: South of McDonalds).
EPSILON SIGMA ALPHA. Scrub pants are in! Bring money to meeting on Wednesday.
LAMBDA PI ETA. Meeting on 3-9-99 at 6:00p.m. in Coleman Hall Rm. 116. Everyone please attend. We will be discussing important information.
INTRAMURALS. Women's Softball. All entries are due TODAY at the Student Rec Center.
INTRAMURALS. Co-Rec Floor Hockey. All entries are due TODAY at the Student Rec Center.
(SAM) SOCIETY FOR ADVANCEMENT OF MANAGEMENT. Pizza Party on Tues., Mar. 9 at 6p.m. at Jerry's Pizza on 4th St. Who wants Pizza? Informal SAM meeting tonight @ 6p.m. Come relax, chat, and eat lots of Pizza! See you there!

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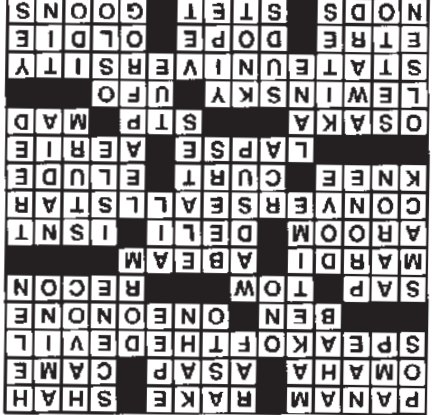
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6 Garden smoother
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14 D-Day beach
15 "Make it quick!"
16 Showed up
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20 Uncle of rice fame
21 Court game
22 Cluckhead
25 Marooned motorist's need
27 Scouting job
28 — Gras
30 Perpendicular to the keel
34 "—— With a View"
35 Where cold cuts are cut
36 "This —— fair!"
40 Popular basketball shoe
43 Midleg point
44 Rudely abrupt
45 Escape detection of
46 Expire
47 Eagle's home
48 Pitcher Hideo Nomo's birthplace
52 Popular oil additive
54 "Spy vs. Spy" magazine
55 Intern in the news
59 Spooky sighting
61 Rutgers, e.g.

- 66 Raison d'——
67 Numbskull
68 Blast from the past
69 Drifts off
70 Leave be
71 Thugs

DOWN

- 1 Not neg.
2 Sound booster
3 Highland negative
4 Captain of the Pequod
5 Provide (for), in a schedule
6 "A Yank in the ——" (1941 war film)
7 Regarding
8 Actress Madeline
9 Fencer's blade
10 Public row
11 Ruinous damage
12 Protein building block
13 Her lace launched a thousand ships
18 Lennon's lady
19 Quad building
22 Impact sound
23 Baseball's Hank
24 Lying facedown
26 Crumples into a tiny ball
29 Peacenik
31 A round at the tavern, say



DiMaggio, legendary Yankee, dies at age 84

‘I want to thank the good Lord for making me a Yankee’ – Joe DiMaggio, Oct. 1, 1949

The career stats

Year, Team	AB	2B	3b	HR	RBI	Avg
1936 N.Y. Yankees	138	637	132	206	44	15 29 125 .323
1937 N.Y. Yankees	151	621	151	215	35	15 46 167 .346
1938 N.Y. Yankees	145	599	129	194	32	13 32 140 .324
1939 N.Y. Yankees	120	462	108	176	32	30 126 .381
1940 N.Y. Yankees	132	508	93	179	28	31 133 .352
1941 N.Y. Yankees	139	541	122	193	43	11 30 125 .357
1942 N.Y. Yankees	154	610	123	186	29	13 21 114 .305
1943-45	Did not play, World War II					
1946 N.Y. Yankees	132	503	81	146	20	25 95 .290
1947 N.Y. Yankees	141	534	97	168	31	10 20 97 .315
1948 N.Y. Yankees	153	594	110	190	26	11 39 155 .320
1949 N.Y. Yankees	76	272	58	94	14	14 67 .346
1950 N.Y. Yankees	139	525	114	158	33	10 32 114 .301
1951 N.Y. Yankees	116	415	72	109	21	12 71 .263
Totals	1736	6821	1390	2214	389	131 361 1537 .325

Career Highlights

AL MVP – 1939, 1941 and 1947.
AL batting champion – 1939 (.381); 1940 (.352).
AL home run champion – 1937 (46); 1948 (39).
AL RBI leader – 1941 (125); 1948 (155).
AL runs scored leader – 1937 (151).
AL total bases leader – 1937 (418); 1941 (348); 1948 (355).
61-game hitting streak – May 28-July 25, 1933 with San Francisco of Pacific Coast League.
Two home runs, one inning (fifth) – June 24, 1936 in 18-11 victory over St. Louis Browns.
Three triples, one game – Aug. 27, 1938.
56-game hitting streak – May 15-July 17, 1941.
Three home run games – June 13, 1937, May 23, 1948, Sept. 10, 1950.
Hit for cycle – May 20, 1948.
World Series –10 appearances, nine winning teams.
Elected to Baseball Hall of Fame –1955.

By The Associated Press

In midcentury, when baseball stood above all American sports, Joe DiMaggio symbolized what fans loved about the game. Fifty years later, he had lost little of his star quality.

“He was to people all over the world what a baseball player was supposed to be like,” former Dodgers manager Tommy Lasorda said of DiMaggio, who died Monday at age 84.

“If you said to God, ‘Create someone who was what a baseball player should be,’ God would have created Joe DiMaggio. ... And he did.”

Added Tim McCarver, who spent two decades as a catcher and is now one of baseball’s preeminent broadcasters: “The very mention of his name personifies class, dignity, elegance and professionalism, both on and off the field.”

To those who knew him and to those who only admired him from afar, DiMaggio was the quintessential American hero.

“This son of Italian immigrants gave every American something to believe in,” President Clinton said.

“He became the very symbol of American grace, power and skill. ... I have no doubt that when future generations look back at the best of America in the 20th century, they will think of the Yankee Clipper and all that he achieved.”

Mark McGwire, himself a larger than life figure after hitting 70 home runs last

season, said he was saddened by DiMaggio’s death.

“He was one of the best in the game,” said McGwire, who never got a chance to meet DiMaggio. “It’s a big loss for the game and for life in general.”

And Cal Ripken, who shattered the consecutive games streak of Lou Gehrig, a former DiMaggio teammate, said: “I feel fortunate and lucky that I had the opportunity to talk baseball with him. I’m a baseball fan, and his accomplishments speak for themselves. There were a lot of misconceptions about Joe because of his need for privacy.”

DiMaggio was a precursor of the modern athlete. In 1948, he signed the first \$100,000 contract, and the paper and pen from that deal went on display Monday at the Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, N.Y.

And like Michael Jordan a half-century later, he was the most credible commercial spokesman in sports. Long after he retired, he was instantly recognizable in ads for “Mr. Coffee.”

Even today, when those who saw him play are in their late 50s or beyond, a bank that retained its services has a sign with a “5” in pinstripes at Grand Central Terminal in New York.

Few have to ask what that means.

He was the reason many Italian-Americans in New York rooted for the Yankees, just as blacks rooted for the Brooklyn Dodgers because they made Jackie Robinson the first black in the

major leagues.

“In this century, there have been three baseball players who transcended their sport to become part of American legend,” Vice President Al Gore said. “Where Babe Ruth was known for his power and Jackie Robinson was known for his courage, Joe DiMaggio was known for dignity and grace.”

That was evident to DiMaggio’s fellow players.

“In 1951, while I was still in high school, I went to New York to play in the Hearst All-Star game,” recalled Al Kaline, who went on to join DiMaggio in the Hall of Fame.

“They took us through the locker room and Joe was sitting in front of his locker. I stopped and shook his hand. It was like meeting a god.”

Ted Williams, who played in the Boston outfield next to DiMaggio’s brother, Dom, was the contemporary most often likened to the Yankee Clipper.

“There is no one Ted Williams admired, respected and envied more than Joe DiMaggio,” Williams said.

While DiMaggio seemed standoffish with strangers, he was charming to those who got to know him, even if they weren’t baseball fans, like the wife of Davey Johnson.

“My wife and I were at a table with Yogi Berra and Joe. Then the next week we had Ted Williams at our table,” said Davey Johnson, now manager of the Dodgers.

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One and Two bedroom apartments, large, nicely decorated, starting summer semester. 741 6th St. \$330 and up. Call 581-7729 or 345-6127. 5/4

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Sublessors

3 Female Students needed for newly remodeled apartment. Very clean, trash/water included in rent. Completely furnished \$210/month. Call 348-0819 and leave message. 3/12

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Sublessor needed. Own bedroom, one housemate. Next to campus call 815-485-8710. 3/15

Sublessors needed. Large 2 Bedroom apt. close to campus, May thru August. Call 348-0652 anytime. 3/12

Sublessor needed May-July for 1 bedroom Apt. located on the square. Fully furnished, big windows, hard wood floors, all utilities paid except phone. \$375/month. Call 345-6491. 3/12

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Friendly domesticated rabbit. Potty trained, needs good home. \$15 OBO. 345-6491 3/12

1989 Chrysler Lebaron, 98,XXX Infinity CD Sys, Runs Well, Good Cond. \$2500. Call 581-6862. 3/12

2 Celine Dion tickets. Kiel Center, St. Louis. April 14. \$65 each. 849-2690. 3/12

Lost & Found

Red/Grey/Black female kitten found in the area around 12th & Lincoln. No tags, call 345-9750. 3/10

Sigma Kappa sorority pin lost on campus with initials DEJ. If found, please call Dana 348-3338. 3/9

Personals

Think Spring! 10 tans for \$25. Tropi Tan 618 W. Lincoln. 348-8263. Gift Certificates Available. 3/12

Julie, thanks for all your help. You were a great sweetheart and I'll do my best to fill your shoes! Lyndsey. 3/9

To the men of Delta Tau Delta, thank you for making me your new sweetheart. I had a great weekend and I am looking forward to the coming semester! Love, Lindsey. 3/9

Tera Linn of ASA and Anthony Hasson of Sigma Phi Epsilon~you did a great job in your performances with the EIU Dancers! We are proud of you! Love, the Alphas. 3/9

Pikes~ Congratulations on winning Alpha Cup 1999! You did and awesome job! Love, the Alphas. 3/9

The ladies of Alpha Sigma Alpha would like to thank all the fraternities who participated in Alpha Cup 1999! 3/9

Personals

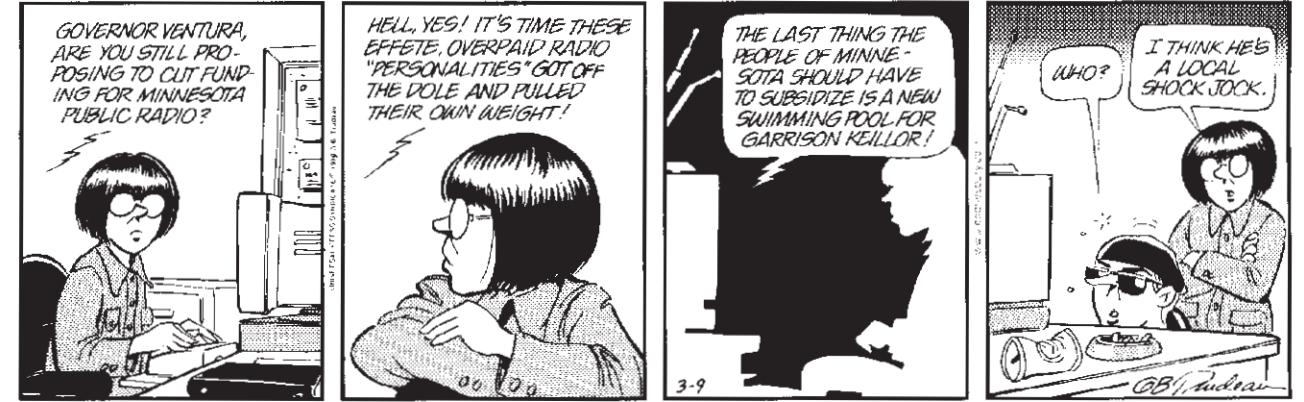
Megan Hansen of ASA~ You did a great job at the Miss Eastern Illinois Pageant. We are proud of you. Love, your sisters. 3/9

Thanks you to Queen Allison and Princess JoAnn for being coaches. Also thanks to Carolyn for being a great flag. Love, The Men of Tau Kappa Epsilon. 3/9

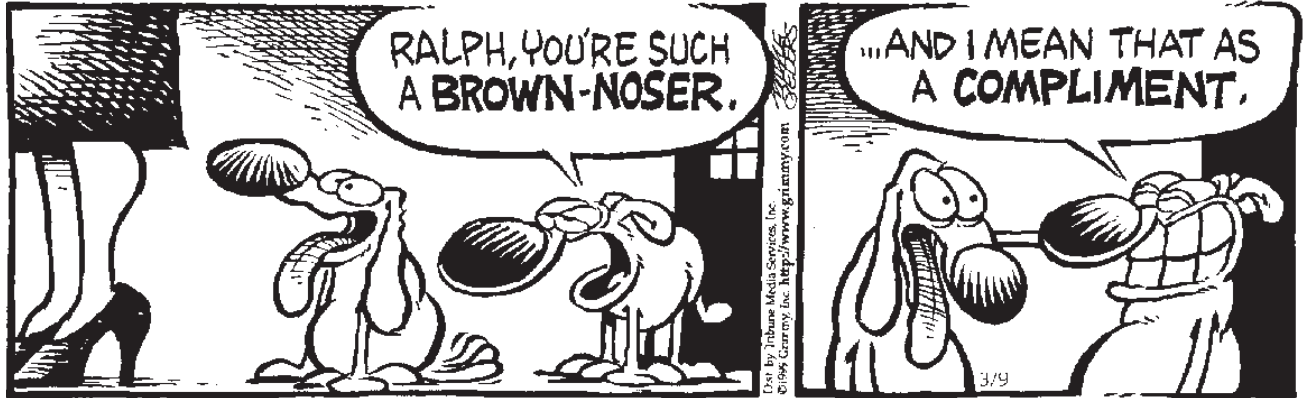
To the Men of Delta Tau Delta - Formal was so fun this weekend. Thanks so much for the past five months. I had so much fun and was so honored to be your sweetheart! You guys are the best! Love, Julie 3/9

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Scoreboard

EIU CALENDAR

Today
No events scheduled
Wednesday
2 p.m. – Baseball at Indiana State
2 p.m. – Softball at Indiana State
(Doubleheader)

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE				
Atlantic Division				
	W	L	GB	
Orlando	14	4	-	
Miami	12	5	1.5	
Philadelphia	10	7	3.5	
New York	10	7	3.5	
Boston	7	8	5.5	
Washington	7	9	6	
New Jersey	3	13	10	
Central Division				
Indiana	12	5	—	
Milwaukee	9	5	1.5	
Detroit	10	7	2	
Atlanta	8	8	3.5	
Cleveland	7	8	4	
Toronto	6	10	5.5	
Charlotte	4	11	7	
Chicago	4	12	7.5	
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
	W	L	GB	
Utah	13	4	—	
Minnesota	11	6	2	
San Antonio	10	8	3.5	
Houston	10	8	3.5	
Dallas	6	13	8	
Denver	5	13	8.5	
Vancouver	4	13	9	
Pacific Division				
Portland	13	3	—	
L.A. Lakers	13	6	1.5	
Seattle	9	7	4	
Phoenix	9	8	4.5	
Sacramento	9	9	5	
Golden State	7	10	6.5	
L.A. Clippers	0	15	12.5	
*Late games not included				
Monday's Results				
Philadelphia at Miami				
Atlanta at Orlando				
Washington at Detroit				
Chicago at Milwaukee				
*Portland at Vancouver				
Today's Games				
Milwaukee at New York, 6:30 p.m.				
Boston at Charlotte, 6:30 p.m.				
Seattle at Minnesota, 7 p.m.				
Denver at Houston, 7:30 p.m.				
New Jersey at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.				
Phoenix at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.				
Cleveland at Utah, 8 p.m.				
Sacramento at Portland, 9 p.m.				
Vancouver at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.				
LA Lakers at LA Clippers, 9:30 p.m.				

WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
	W	L	GB	
Utah	13	4	—	
Minnesota	11	6	2	
San Antonio	10	8	3.5	
Houston	10	8	3.5	
Dallas	6	13	8	
Denver	5	13	8.5	
Vancouver	4	13	9	

Monday's Results				
Philadelphia at Miami				
Atlanta at Orlando				
Washington at Detroit				
Chicago at Milwaukee				
*Portland at Vancouver				
Today's Games				
Milwaukee at New York, 6:30 p.m.				
Boston at Charlotte, 6:30 p.m.				
Seattle at Minnesota, 7 p.m.				
Denver at Houston, 7:30 p.m.				
New Jersey at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.				
Phoenix at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.				
Cleveland at Utah, 8 p.m.				
Sacramento at Portland, 9 p.m.				
Vancouver at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.				
LA Lakers at LA Clippers, 9:30 p.m.				

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE				
Northeast Division				
	Pts	GF	GA	
Ottawa	80	182	131	
Toronto	75	201	184	
Buffalo	71	169	139	
Boston	64	163	148	
Montreal	59	153	169	
Atlantic Division				
	Pts	GF	GA	
New Jersey	78	191	161	
Philadelphia	75	192	150	
Pittsburgh	73	194	172	
N.Y. Rangers	62	178	175	
N.Y. Islanders	46	152	197	

Southeast Division				
	Pts	GF	GA	
Carolina	69	164	157	
Florida	61	160	168	
Washington	59	167	168	
Tampa Bay	35	133	221	

WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Central Division				
	Pts	GF	GA	
Detroit	70	191	163	
St. Louis	62	173	160	
Nashville	50	151	208	
Chicago	45	142	198	

Northwest Division				
	Pts	GF	GA	
Colorado	72	177	159	
Edmonton	60	178	168	
Calgary	56	165	178	
Vancouver	48	154	200	

Pacific Division				
	Pts	GF	GA	
Dallas	90	181	125	
Phoenix	72	157	149	
Anaheim	69	172	154	
San Jose	58	141	152	
Los Angeles	51	145	172	

Monday's Results				
Florida at Montreal				
Buffalo at Carolina				
Today's Games				
Colorado at Washington, 6 p.m.				
Tampa Bay at Toronto, 6:30 p.m.				
Philadelphia at NY Islanders, 6:30 p.m.				
New Jersey at Pittsburgh, 6:30 p.m.				
Calgary at St. Louis, 7 p.m.				
Detroit at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.				
Phoenix at San Jose, 9:30 p.m.				

MLB

Monday's Preseason Results				
Cleveland 4, Toronto 3				
Houston 2, St. Louis 1				
Pittsburgh 3, Cincinnati 2				
Minnesota 6, Boston 3				
Atlanta 9, Detroit 7				
Texas 6, Tampa Bay 4				
Kansas City 8, Florida 7				
Baltimore 10, Los Angeles 0				
NY Mets 3, Montreal 2				
San Francisco 7, San Diego 4				
Colorado 6, Chicago Cubs 5				
Arizona 8, Milwaukee 2				
Oakland 9, Chicago White Sox 7				
Seattle 10, Anaheim 3				

COLLEGE

Men's Basketball				
National Invitation Tournament				
First Round				
Wednesday, March 10				
Hofstra (22-9) at Rutgers (18-12)				
Georgia (15-14) at Clemson (16-14)				
Seton Hall (15-14) at Old Dominion (24-8)				
Butler (20-9) at Bradley (17-11)				
Xavier (21-10) at Toledo (19-7)				
Alabama (17-14) at Wake Forest (16-13)				
Providence (16-13) at North Carolina State (18-13)				
Georgetown (15-15) at Princeton (20-7), 7:30 p.m.				
Fresno State (21-11) at California (17-11)				
Northwestern (15-13) at DePaul (17-12), 9:30 p.m.				
Pepperdine (19-12) at Colorado (17-14)				
Mississippi State (20-12) at Colorado State (17-10)				
Southern California (15-12) at Wyoming (17-9)				

Georgia Tech (15-15) at Oregon (16-11), 11:59 p.m.				
Nevada-Las Vegas (16-12) at Nebraska (19-12)				
Texas Christian (19-10) at Kansas State (20-12)				
Second Round				
Monday-Tuesday, March 15-16				
Times and Sites TBA				
Hofstra-Rutgers winner vs. Georgia-Clemson winner				
Seton Hall-Old Dominion winner vs. Butler-Bradley winner				
Xavier-Toledo winner vs. Alabama-Wake Forest winner				
Providence-North Carolina State vs. Georgetown-Princeton winner				
Fresno State-California winner vs. Northwestern-DePaul winner				
Pepperdine-Colorado winner vs. Mississippi State-Colorado State winner				
Southern California-Wyoming winner vs. Georgia Tech-Oregon winner				
Third Round				
Wednesday-Friday, March 17-19				
Times and Sites TBA				
Hofstra-Rutgers – Georgia-Clemson winner vs. Seton Hall-Old Dominion – Butler-Bradley winner				
Xavier-Toledo – Alabama-Wake Forest winner vs. Providence-North Carolina State – Georgetown-Princeton winner				
Fresno State-California – Northwestern-DePaul winner vs. Pepperdine – Colorado – Mississippi State-Colorado State winner				
USC-Wyoming – Georgia Tech-Oregon winner vs. UNLV-Nebraska – TCU-Kansas St. winner				

At New York				
Semifinals				
Tuesday, March 23 – TBA				
Championship Round – Thursday, March 25				

AP Top 25

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' final men's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses and records through March 7.

- Duke (69) 32-1
- Michigan St. (1) 29-4
- Connecticut 28-2
- Auburn 27-3
- Marland 26-5
- Utah 27-4
- Stanford 25-6
- Kentucky 25-8
- St. John's 25-8
- Miami 22-6
- Cincinnati 26-5
- Arizona 22-6
- North Carolina 24-9
- Ohio St. 23-8
- UCLA 22-8
- Coll. of Charleston 28-2
- Arkansas 22-10
- Wisconsin 22-9
- Indiana 22-10
- Tennessee 20-8
- Iowa 18-9
- Kansas 22-9
- Florida 20-8
- N.C. Charlotte 22-10
- New Mexico 24-8

Others receiving votes: Temple 71, Oklahoma St. 56, Gonzaga 53, Syracuse 49, Texas 47, Minnesota 40, Missouri 37, Louisville 30, Rhode Island 27, Tulsa 26, Murray St. 17, Iowa St. 12, Purdue 12, Detroit 11, Kent 11, Miami, Ohio 10, Creighton 9, Villanova 7, George Washington 4, Weber St. 3, New Mexico St. 2, Penn 2, Siena 2.

BASEBALL

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) – The Top 25 college baseball teams as determined by the staff of Baseball America magazine with records through Mar. 7

- Rice
- Florida State
- Texas A&M
- North Carolina
- Stanford
- Auburn
- Miami
- Louisiana State
- Florida
- Texas
- Pepperdine
- Wichita State
- Florida International
- Long Beach State
- Georgia Tech
- Cal State Fullerton
- Arizona State
- Texas Tech
- Baylor
- Mississippi State
- North Carolina State
- Nevada
- Louisville
- Wake Forest

HOCKEY

NCAA Division I Ice Hockey Poll
MINNEAPOLIS (AP) – Top teams in the NCAA Division I men's ice hockey poll, compiled by U.S. College Hockey Online.

- North Dakota
- New Hampshire
- Michigan State
- Maine
- Colorado College
- Clarkson
- Boston College
- Michigan
- Denver
- St. Lawrence

TRANSACTIONS

AUTO RACING
Championship Auto Racing Teams
TEAM RAHAL – Named Brent Maurer director of public relations.

BASEBALL
American League
TORONTO BLUE JAYS – Announced INF Felipe Crespo cleared waivers and was sent outright to Syracuse of the International League.

National League
CINCINNATI REDS – Sent RHP Todd Eler, RHP John Riedling, RHP Ted Rose, OF Mike Frank, and OF Rod Myers to Indianapolis of the International League.

ST. LOUIS CARDINALS – Reassigned RHP John Ambrose, LHP Bryan Eversgerd, LHP David West, C Erik Pappas, C Stacy Kleiner, C Chris Martinez, C Keith McDonald and C Dave Schmidt to their minor-league camp.

Northern League
SCHAUMBURG FLYERS – Signed OF Mike Wilson.

BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
CHARLOTTE HORNETS – Waived G-F Willie Burton.

NEW JERSEY NETS – Waived G Damon Jones. Activated G Lucious Harris from the injured reserve list.

FOOTBALL
National Football League
INDIANAPOLIS COLTS – Signed QB Stoney Case.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League
NEW YORK RANGERS – Recalled D Alexei Vasiliev from Hartford of the AHL.

PHOENIX COYOTES – Recalled G Robert Esche from Springfield of the AHL. Assigned G Jimmy Waite and D Sean Gagnon to Springfield of the AHL.

SAN JOSE SHARKS – Recalled C Steve Guolla from Kentucky of the AHL.

American Hockey League
FREDERICTON CANADIENS – Announced D Sylvain Blouin has been recalled by Montreal of the NHL.

HAMILTON BULLDOGS – Announced G Chris Wickenheiser has been reassigned to New Orleans of the ECHL by Edmonton of the NHL.

KENTUCKY THOROUGHBLADES – Announced C Steve Guolla has been recalled by San Jose of the NHL.

NEW HAVEN BEAST – Announced D Greg Kuznik has been reassigned to Florida of the ECHL by Carolina of the NHL.

SPRINGFIELD FALCONS – Announced D Sean Gagnon has been loaned to the team by Phoenix of the NHL.

Western Professional Hockey League
WPHL – Suspended Austin LW Jeff Greenlaw and D Ryan Anderson. Suspended Central Texas F Gerald Tallaire and D Jamie Hearn.

AMARILLO RATTLERS – Signed D Jason Mucciarone.

AUSTIN ICEBATS – Signed F Keith O'Brien.

EL PASO BUZZARDS – Waived F Erik Harriet. Activated F Jeremy Vanin from the 14-day injured reserve.

ODESSA JACKALOPES – Signed LW Andrew Rogers.

MINNESOTA THUNDER – Signed D C.W. Raines III to a one-year contract.

United Systems of Independent Soccer Leagues
BROOKLYN KNIGHTS – Re-signed MF Harry Triana and S Eddie Sainmervil.

COLLEGE
GEORGIA SOUTHERN – Named Carey Baker assistant football coach.

JACKSONVILLE STATE – Announced the resignation of Jay Thomas, defensive line coach.

MERRIMACK – Announced the resignation of Thomas Caracioli, director of sports information.

PITTSBURGH – Named Ben Howland men's basketball coach.

STONY BROOK – Announced the resignation of Heath Olson, women's basketball coach.

ON THIS DAY

1948 – NHL President Clarence Campbell expels Billy Taylor of the New York Rangers and Don Gallagher of the Boston Bruins because of gambling associations.

1958 – George Yardley of the Detroit Pistons becomes the first NBA player to score 2,000 points in a season.

1977 – Anthony Roberts of Oral Roberts sets an NIT record with 65 points in a 90-89 loss to Oregon in the first round.

Gossett

from Page 12

From there, Gossett finished the 1976 season as Eastern's punter. He said the Eastern coaches' knowledge of punting helped him to pursue a professional career.

"There was good coaching when I was there," Gossett said. "They knew a little bit about punting and they fine tuned me."

Gossett believes his love for baseball helped him excel as a punter.

"Baseball was my first love," Gossett said. "So there was not a whole lot of pressure on me. It was more like a hobby for me to punt and I think that helped me be so successful."

The following season is when Gossett got his recognition as the nation's best punter, by leading the nation in Division II.

After such an outstanding season, Gossett decided to leave football and pursue a career in baseball with the New York Mets.

"I was drafted by the Mets in 1978," Gossett said. "I was their No. 4 pick, and I decided to go play baseball in the minors for a few years."

Gossett reached Class AA in the minor leagues before the Mets decided they wanted to turn the third baseman into a pitcher. That meant Gossett would have to go back to Class A and start all over as a pitcher.

"I asked for them to trade or release me," Gossett said. "They said no, and I told them I was going to be a punter in the NFL. I'm not sure they believed me, but that's what I did."

The day after the 1980 NFL draft, the Dallas Cowboys came to Charleston to offer Gossett a free agent contract.

"I went to the Cowboys' preseason camp," Gossett said. "I was there for all four of the preseason games and was the last punter they kept."

Gossett said Tom Landry, who was the head coach of the Cowboys at the time, decided to release him, using his quarterback as the punter in order to save a roster spot. Gossett, however, was allowed to stick around for the season in case the quarterback/punter got hurt, but that never happened.

"In 1981, I signed with the Chargers," Gossett said. "I was there for all four of the preseason games,

too, but they traded for veteran punter George Roberts and I was cut again.

"After that, I moved back to Dallas and was working at a furniture store when the Chiefs called me for a tryout after their punter got injured."

He earned a spot against three other punters and punted for Kansas City in 1981 and '82. In 1983, Gossett was signed by the Cleveland Browns.

In the Spring of 1984, Gossett moved on to USFL, where he played for the expansion Chicago Blitz.

After the Blitz folded in '84, Gossett played for the Portland Breakers in 1985. It was that season when Gossett was second in the league in punting and moved back to the NFL after the USFL folded.

Gossett then went back to punt for the Browns until the 1987 season was interrupted with the players' strike. After the strike was settled, Gossett played the second half of the '87 season with the Houston Oilers, but was traded to the Raiders.

It was there where Gossett would finish out the final nine seasons of his NFL career.

"Those were nine of the best years of my life," he said. "After moving around all those years, I had finally found a home."

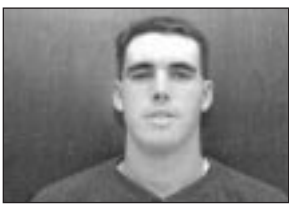
Gossett received many honors during his years with the Raiders. He was named to the '92 Pro Bowl, was awarded the John Mackey Award for the best punter in the NFL, and won the Desenex Foot of the Year Award. Gossett also led the league in all punting categories in 1994 and was an alternate for the Pro Bowl in two other seasons.

It was not until the 1996 season when Gossett's long and well-traveled days as a punter came to an end due to a career-ending injury.

"It was right after Thanksgiving," Gossett said.

"I was running a fake punt and it was 4th-and-12. I made 11 yards and tried to run over a guy for the 12th one, but he ran me over and broke seven of my ribs. I still feel those ribs every day of my life."

After

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To all the hardcore gamblers

It happens every year. You force yourself to watch as many college basketball games as you can possibly handle throughout the season just so that when tournament time comes around, you can make the informed choices and impress all your friends in the office pool.

Doesn't always work out that way, does it?

It seems that no matter how much research you do, something always happens and you lose a final four team somewhere in the first round. Filling out tournament brackets is a science that no one has mastered yet. The only thing you can do is throw seedings and records out the window and look for trends.

This should help out all of you hardcore gamblers out there, so you don't lose your house or wife in a stupid bet. (Actually, losing the wife may be a good thing).

First thing to remember is there always has been and always will be upsets. Each year a Cinderella team shows up unannounced at the ball. Last year's fan favorite was Valparaiso.

The father-n-son team of Homer and Bryce Drew shocked everyone by leading 13th seeded Valpo to a win over 4th seeded Mississippi, thanks to a last-second hook-and-ladder play by Bryce.

The chances of Valpo repeating last year's performance are not looking good. The west's 15th seed will meet Maryland in the opening round.

So who is most likely to wear the glass slipper this year? Before the seedings came out, the odds on favorite was the College of Charleston, but the selection committee was not kind to Charleston, setting them up for a second round match-up with Duke.

My sleeper pick comes out of the Midwest in the form of Rhode Island. The Rams struggled toward the end of the season, putting a tournament bid in jeopardy, but came on strong in the Atlantic Ten Tournament.

Standout Lamar Odom single-handedly carried the Rams through the A-10 tourney, averaging 23 points a contest and securing a tourney berth.

Twelfth seeded URI also leads me into the next tournament trend. Since the expansion of the tournament field to 64 teams in 1985, a twelfth seed has beaten a fifth seed in ten of those years.

Sixteen times in the last 14

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From football to wienerschnitzel

After Eastern, NFL, Gossett finds happiness in hot dog business

By **Bill Ruthhart**
Staff writer

After competing as a two-sport athlete at Eastern, playing minor league baseball, and pursuing a career in professional football, former Panther punter Jeff Gossett has now taken on the role of entrepreneur.

Upon retiring from football, Gossett decided to find new challenges in the hot dog business.

"I got into the fast food business," Gossett said. "I've been trying to open up wienerschnitzel chains, which make hot dogs."

Gossett, who has lived in the Dallas-Ft. Worth area since the 1980s, said his urge to get into the wienerschnitzel business came after spotting the stores while with the Raiders in the NFL.

"They have a lot of them (wienerschnitzel chains) in California," Gossett said. "And when I came here (Dallas-Ft. Worth), I noticed they didn't have any."

Gossett, who majored in Physical Education while at Eastern, said he got into the business world during his career in the NFL.

"Being a professional athlete, you're around businessmen a lot," Gossett said. "I learned a lot about business, and my brother-in-law, who runs the Amoco station in Charleston, has helped me out a lot too."

Gossett said the wiener business wasn't his first taste of entrepreneurship.

"I was in the scoreboard business the last ten years of my career," Gossett said. "I worked with a company called Nevco which is based out of Greenville, IL. It kept me busy in the off-

**Jeff Gossett**

season," Gossett said. "I was traveling, selling scoreboards to coaches and schools."

While selling the scoreboards, Gossett said he also had the opportunity to get into motivational speaking.

"I did some," Gossett said. "I was talking at various assemblies and pep rallies."

Gossett most likely wouldn't have found his calling as a hot dog man if it were not for his long and illustrious career in the NFL, and he may not have made it as a professional punter if it was not for his talent as a baseball player.

Gossett attended Eastern on a baseball scholarship and originally was not even a member of the football team.

It wasn't until halfway through the 1976 football season when Gossett was discovered.

"I was punting and playing quarterback for an intramural team," Gossett said. "I was playing for the Sig Pi's when the Athletic Director saw me."

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Searching for an offensive answer

**File photo**

Eastern's third baseman Matt Marzec slides into third during a game last season. Marzec is one of many Panthers off to a slow start with the bat this season.

Baseball team not concerned about lack of runs to start season

By **Matt Wilson**
Staff writer

Six games into the season, the Panther baseball offense has felt the effects of changing lineups.

Because of injuries and Panther head coach Jim Schmitz trying to find the right combination, Schmitz does not have the consistency he did last season.

"We're trying to find the pieces of the puzzle and see where everybody fits in," Schmitz said. "There is a lot to be said about a consistent lineup. We don't have a lineup where everything is just hunky dorey and somebody is just sitting on the bench because he knows he's the No. 4 hitter. The bats will come around, it's just a matter of putting the people in the right places."

Eastern had two of its big offensive threats gone this weekend in three losses to Southern Mississippi in seniors Ryan Bridgewater and David Mikes.

Even though Bridgewater did go six-for-seven on the weekend, he went down in the seventh inning of the opening game. This caused a lineup change in the second game of the series, and Tim Aurichio into the starting catching spot.

Bridgewater was one bright spot that came out of the Eastern offense this past weekend, as he went 6-for-7 and hit his first home run of the season. With this performance, Bridgewater is now batting .571 for the season.

Mikes, who is currently on a 14-game hitting streak, was supposed to play against Southern Mississippi after he injured his toe in the first game of the series against Arkansas. But Mikes did not return this weekend, and that caused sophomore Josh Landon to start at second base against the Golden Eagles.

Landon is one of three Panthers that are in the midst of a hitting slump. Landon has not had a hit in

his last 16 official at bats, senior center fielder Sean Lyons has not had a hit in his last 17 official at bats and 1998 Ohio Valley Conference Player of the Year, Matt Marzec, is two for his last 22.

Because of the current slumps, Lyons is now batting .100, Marzec is batting .130 and Landon does not have a hit so far this season.

"It hasn't gone as well as I hoped it would, but I can't get down because it's still early in the season," Lyons said. "If I just keep working, things will get better."

Schmitz said it will only be a matter of time before they get out of the slumps, and the three are still hitting the ball hard.

"This is not like basketball where if you shoot the ball well, it goes in," Schmitz said. "There is no luck involved in this game. You can hit the ball hard and somebody can be standing right there."

Another factor of the hitting slump for the Panthers is the num-

ber of times they've seen live pitching. Because of the weather, Eastern has not been able to play outside that much. To complicate matters, the Panthers' season started by seeing the toughest pitching staff it will face all season, Arkansas.

"As we get more games under our belt, our guys will start swinging the bats better," Lyons said.

Schmitz said this could be why Eastern only had 22 hits in three games this past weekend against the Golden Eagle pitching staff.

"We went to Arkansas and they really pitched good against us," Schmitz said. "I think we had a bad approach this weekend and tried to do too much."

Lyons said for the Eastern bats to come to life, all the team needs is to have one big offensive output.

"Some people have gotten off to slow starts and need to get some confidence because hitting is contagious," he said.